

HERE AND THERE

If you have friends visiting you, or if you are going away on a visit, please drop us a note to that effect.

Mrs. Francis Lehmman spent a few days of last week in Covington visiting friends.

Mayor and Mrs. William H. Cox left yesterday for a few weeks stay at St. Augustine, Fla.

Mr. T. L. Evans of Kansas City, Mo., and Mrs. James Stone and children of Pleasant Hill, Mo., are here on a visit to their sister, Mrs. James Ford and other relatives near Maysville.

MAYSVILLE WEATHER.

What We May Expect For the Next Twenty-Four Hours.

THE LEDGER'S WEATHER SIGNALS.

White—STORMY—RAIN.
Blue—RAIN OR SNOW.
With Black Above—TWO INCHES RAIN.
If Black Above—OLD-FASHIONED WILL BE.
Under Black—SHOWS—NO CHANGE WILL BE.

The above forecasts are made for a period of twenty-four hours ending at 5 o'clock to-morrow evening.

If you have an item of news, please call on THE LEDGER, Telephone 33, and send it in.

Fire Insurance—John C. Everett.
Old Limestone Bourbon and Rye always in stock at John Hribos.

The sale of personality of the late Alex. Mattingly realized \$386.07.

The U. C. T. will hold their regular meeting next Friday night.

Special for Saturday—Bananas 5c doz.; Oranges 3 doz. 3c. Martin Bros.

Stop for sale in any quantity at Limestone Distillery, beginning Feb. 8th.

For Sale—A Pony Cart and Harness; can be seen at Daulton Bros. Stable.

Go to Henry W. Ray's for Pure Drugs and Sundries. Prescriptions a specialty.

Chenoweth Cold Cure, a boon to sufferers from grip, 25 cents. Well-invested.

Dr. Pangburn's office is at his residence, 832 East Second street, and his Telephone is 192.

Mrs. Sue Applegate, formerly Miss Wood of Aberdeen, is seriously ill at her home at Poplar Flat.

The New Era Restaurant will now be open all night. Lunch served at all hours. W. N. Howe, Agent.

Fire, Lightning and Tornado Insurance by W. N. Howe, Agent, No. 37 West Third street.

Mrs. H. C. Butcher, wife of Mr. H. Clay Butcher of Paris, died at her residence in that city Wednesday of pneumonia.

The Pastor of the Union of this city will meet on Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the study of Rev. Mr. Trotter at the First Baptist Church.

Mr. E. M. Graham and Miss Ada O. Six of Fleming county were married at the Central Hotel in this city Thursday, Rev. J. S. Sims officiating.

Mr. W. O. Outen is now agent for the Times-Star at this place. Anyone wanting the paper can notify him and he will deliver it to any part of the city.

A little son of Sheriff Buttrick at Sneedville, Tenn., hanged his brother from the scaffold on which Hatfield died recently, and a tragedy nearly resulted.

Any one having a copy of THE LEDGER of November 4th, 1896—the double election issue—will confer a great favor by sending it to or leaving it at this office.

Reinforced Jolly Pathfinders, who appear here next week, will give away a handsome present on Saturday night. They have purchased an elegant set of parlor furniture from White, Judd & Co., and will have it on exhibition in their store window during the week. Every person purchasing a ticket to the show during the week will be given a number.

ASSESSMENT REDUCED.

County Board of Equalization Cuts Down Certain Realty 15 Per Cent.

The Supervisors of Tax concluded their work yesterday.

Before adjourning they made an order reducing the assessment on certain realty 15 per cent.

The order applies to all the real estate in the city and county, except that which was bought between September 15th, 1895, and September 15th, 1896.

That stands as returned by the Assessor

ALMOST A SUCCESS!

This Forger Got the Money. But the Officers Got Him.

CLEVELAND OF THE LOCAL POLICE

The third time inside of three weeks!

And now, maybe, the charm is broken, but still there's one Bank that hasn't been tried.

Between 2 and 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon a smooth-faced, well-dressed young man, apparently about 35 years old, presented at the Bank of Maysville a demand draft for \$385, drawn on the Boys' National Bank, Danville, and signed D. Bright Shaffer in a neat hand.

He inquired of President J. F. Barbour, "How long will it take to collect this?"

"Three or four days" was the answer. "I'd like mighty well to get the money right away if I can."

To this Mr. Barbour said if he would get a good indorsement on it he would cash it.

The stranger represented himself as a traveler for the Phoenix Drug Company of Chicago, and rattled off the names of several local physicians. Dr. Reed's name was the number.

"If you will get Dr. Reed's name on the paper we will cash it," said the President.

The man then left, and after the lapse of sufficient time to have gone to the Doctor's office he returned and handed the draft to Mr. Barbour, with the name "John A. Reed" written across the back—a very close imitation of the Doctor's signature, by the way.

Mr. Barbour has loyal love for the people of his old Danville home, and it was pleasure to assist one who did business with the Banks of that good old town; and when he learned that his patron knew his life-long friend Mack Wallace of the Boyle National, he was rapidly approaching the if you don't see what you want—just ask for it stage, and promptly recited Cashier Huchell to shell out the skids.

As Mr. Huchell was doing out the crisp \$100 bills "Mr. Shaffer" made an other score in his confidential game by volunteering to draw only \$180, leaving \$20 to his credit in Mr. Barbour's Bank.

The stranger took the \$180 and departed.

After he had stepped out Mr. Barbour telephoned Dr. Reed to make inquiry as to the transaction; but the Doctor was not at home.

Some time later Mr. George Barbour met Dr. Reed on the street and told him what had occurred.

The Doctor at once disclaimed all knowledge of the affair.

This naturally caused a commotion at the Bank.

The draft had already gone by the 4:35 mail, and the train bearing it was well on the way to Cincinnati—and probably Mr. Shaffer was on the same train.

Chief Of was sent for and his plans were soon laid.

The lively stables were visited, as was the ferryboat; the Westbound local of the C. and O., which leaves here at 5:15 p. m. was watched, and on this train special Officer Frank Purnell and Mr. James Barbour started down the road, while Chief Of and Mr. George Barbour were to take the Eastbound train which passes here at 5:35 p. m.

Captain Ed. Fitzgerald, the C. and O. Detective, had come up on No. 2 at 1:30, on which "Shaffer" was a passenger, the latter having bought at Cincinnati a ticket for South Portsmouth, and he had had a talk with Collector Allen regarding an arrangement whereby he could stop off at Maysville. This conversation took place in Captain Fitzgerald's presence and directed his attention to the man who appeared to be exceedingly nervous.

Captain Fitzgerald learned of the Bank transaction, and as he was going West on the train with Officer Purnell he lent his assistance in identifying the man.

When the train reached Brookers, the first station West of the city, Mr. Shaffer stepped aboard, having walked from Maysville to that place.

Captain Fitzgerald spotted the man and asked Mr. James Barbour if he was the party who got the money.

Mr. Barbour gave a prompt affirmative reply, when Officer Purnell and Captain Fitzgerald searched him, finding every dollar of the money just as it had been handed to him by Cashier Huchell.

He was brought back and taken before Judge Wadsworth, who held him for a hearing this morning.

In the Police Court he was thoroughly searched, the only evidence of his identity being a morocco pocketbook with the name of "S. T. McClung, M. D.," embossed in it.

He refused at first to give any name, telling Chief Of that he might call him John Smith.

Subsequent developments, however, throw some light on his history.

His name is McClung, as appeared in his pocketbook; he was raised at Rupert, W. Va., then moved to Hurricane, W. Va., and later to Portsmouth; he is married and has a sister dying with consumption at his home. He graduated from the Louisville Medical College in 1885.

He had recently written letters to several local physicians, and in this way obtained the signature of Dr. Reed, which he had so closely imitated that it may be doubted if the Doctor himself could tell it was forged if it appeared in a different connection.

Before finding the Bank of Maysville McClung had presented the draft at the State National, where it was declined with thanks.

He will probably waive examination, plead guilty and throw himself on the mercy of the Court.

The capture of the man was fortunate for the Bank; and it was a creditable piece of work for Chief Of, who planned it, and to the officers who carried his plans into execution.

Colonel W. W. Baldwin, Administrator of the late Robert L. Baldwin, gives notice of notice to creditors and debtors.

W. H. Ford, Assignee, has been authorized to sell, either publicly or privately, the personality of J. W. Curtis and Clinton Brandel, late Curtis & Brandel of Orangeburg.

The wheels of a coalcart went in up to the hubs on Second street yesterday. If it hadn't been for the body of the cart the coal would have been delivered to Li Hung Chang.

The "Sunlight" Burners will distribute the gas much better, allowing a larger volume of oxygen to unite with the gas, and give considerably more light by the use of a less amount of gas. Cost only \$2 attached to your gas fixture.

P. J. McHARRY, Jeweler.

Y. M. C. A. PARAGRAPHS.

Interesting Items That Every Man in Maysville Should Read.

THE "VALENTINE RECEPTION" FOR THE JUNIORS AND THEIR YOUNG LADY FRIENDS WILL BE HELD THIS EVENING AT 7 O'CLOCK. THE BOYS ARE ANTICIPATING A FINE TIME.

On tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock a Boy's Rally will be held. Good singing and a brief talk by Mr. Joseph Easton will fill up a half hour of profit and enjoyment, and every boy in Maysville is invited to attend.

The program for the Men's Rally at 8 o'clock tomorrow afternoon will be as good as that no young man who can possibly attend ought to fail to come to the Y. M. C. A. parlors promptly at the appointed hour. The choir of the Christian Church—about twenty-five strong—will render four or five choruses and selections, and in addition a quartet will sing and Mr. T. Reed Chapman will render a vocal solo. The address will be given by Rev. I. P. Trotter on "The Young Man and His Opportunities." All men—young and old—are invited to attend.

A special meeting of the Woman's Committee of the Y. M. C. A. is called by the President for Monday afternoon at 8 o'clock, the chief purpose of which will be a discussion of plans for an entertainment.

Mr. S. P. Baird and Mrs. David July of Carlisle are visiting their father at Zionsville, Ind. He is 90 years old and is critically ill.

Mr. Thomas Waller, aged 55, died at the home of his sister, Mrs. Thomas J. Glenn, at Carlisle. He was born near Helena, this county.

Mr. Henry Dierich, Jr., of this city and Miss Rachel Mayer of Louisville were united in marriage the 9th of February at the bride's home.

Funeral Aid Association.
A meeting of the I. O. O. F. Funeral Aid Association will be held Monday evening at 7 o'clock. Every member requested to be present.

Last Notice to Taxpayers.
By order of the Board of Council, the Chief of Police is instructed to proceed at once to collect the delinquent taxes, and all property on which the city taxes is not paid, will be advertised for sale on the 1st day of April, according to law.

D. P. Orr, Chief of Police.

Special For Saturday.
6 pounds Letting's Coffee, 90c.
6 pounds Arbuckle's Coffee, 85c.
20 pounds Granulated Sugar, \$1
3 dozen Oranges, 25c.
2 dozen Lemons, 35c.
1 dozen Bananas, 10c.
1 quart Cranberries, 5c.
Cash. R. B. LOVELL.

MAYSVILLE'S CHURCHES

WHERE RELIGIOUS EXERCISES WILL BE HELD SUNDAY.

First Presbyterian Church.
Rev. J. S. Hays, D.D., Pastor.
Sunday-school 9:30 a. m.
Bible-reading 10:15 a. m.
Prayer-meeting Friday at 7 p. m.
Weekly Prayer-meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m.
Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.

Central Presbyterian Church.
Rev. J. S. Hays, D.D., Pastor.
Sunday-school 9:30 a. m.
Bible-reading 10:15 a. m.
Prayer-meeting Friday at 7 p. m.
Weekly Prayer-meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m.
Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.

Church of the Nativity.
Rev. D. D. Chapin, Rector.
Sunday-school 9:30 a. m.
Prayer-meeting Friday at 7 p. m.
Morning Prayer, Sermon and Holy Communion at 10:30 a. m.
Evening Prayer at 7:30 p. m.

St. Patrick's Church.
Rev. Father A. T. Ellis, Pastor.
Sunday-school 9:30 a. m.
Bible-reading 10:15 a. m.
Prayer-meeting Friday at 7 p. m.
Weekly Prayer-meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m.
Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.

St. Mary's Church.
Rev. J. S. Hays, D.D., Pastor.
Sunday-school 9:30 a. m.
Bible-reading 10:15 a. m.
Prayer-meeting Friday at 7 p. m.
Weekly Prayer-meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m.
Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.

St. John's Church.
Rev. J. S. Hays, D.D., Pastor.
Sunday-school 9:30 a. m.
Bible-reading 10:15 a. m.
Prayer-meeting Friday at 7 p. m.
Weekly Prayer-meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m.
Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.

St. Paul's Church.
Rev. J. S. Hays, D.D., Pastor.
Sunday-school 9:30 a. m.
Bible-reading 10:15 a. m.
Prayer-meeting Friday at 7 p. m.
Weekly Prayer-meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m.
Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.

St. Luke's Church.
Rev. J. S. Hays, D.D., Pastor.
Sunday-school 9:30 a. m.
Bible-reading 10:15 a. m.
Prayer-meeting Friday at 7 p. m.
Weekly Prayer-meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m.
Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.

St. Peter's Church.
Rev. J. S. Hays, D.D., Pastor.
Sunday-school 9:30 a. m.
Bible-reading 10:15 a. m.
Prayer-meeting Friday at 7 p. m.
Weekly Prayer-meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m.
Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.

St. James' Church.
Rev. J. S. Hays, D.D., Pastor.
Sunday-school 9:30 a. m.
Bible-reading 10:15 a. m.
Prayer-meeting Friday at 7 p. m.
Weekly Prayer-meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m.
Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.

St. George's Church.
Rev. J. S. Hays, D.D., Pastor.
Sunday-school 9:30 a. m.
Bible-reading 10:15 a. m.
Prayer-meeting Friday at 7 p. m.
Weekly Prayer-meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m.
Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.

St. Andrew's Church.
Rev. J. S. Hays, D.D., Pastor.
Sunday-school 9:30 a. m.
Bible-reading 10:15 a. m.
Prayer-meeting Friday at 7 p. m.
Weekly Prayer-meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m.
Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.

St. Basil's Church.
Rev. J. S. Hays, D.D., Pastor.
Sunday-school 9:30 a. m.
Bible-reading 10:15 a. m.
Prayer-meeting Friday at 7 p. m.
Weekly Prayer-meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m.
Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.

St. Nicholas' Church.
Rev. J. S. Hays, D.D., Pastor.
Sunday-school 9:30 a. m.
Bible-reading 10:15 a. m.
Prayer-meeting Friday at 7 p. m.
Weekly Prayer-meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m.
Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.

St. Raphael's Church.
Rev. J. S. Hays, D.D., Pastor.
Sunday-school 9:30 a. m.
Bible-reading 10:15 a. m.
Prayer-meeting Friday at 7 p. m.
Weekly Prayer-meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m.
Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.

St. Eusebius' Church.
Rev. J. S. Hays, D.D., Pastor.
Sunday-school 9:30 a. m.
Bible-reading 10:15 a. m.
Prayer-meeting Friday at 7 p. m.
Weekly Prayer-meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m.
Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.

St. Symeon's Church.
Rev. J. S. Hays, D.D., Pastor.
Sunday-school 9:30 a. m.
Bible-reading 10:15 a. m.
Prayer-meeting Friday at 7 p. m.
Weekly Prayer-meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m.
Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.

St. Isaac's Church.
Rev. J. S. Hays, D.D., Pastor.
Sunday-school 9:30 a. m.
Bible-reading 10:15 a. m.
Prayer-meeting Friday at 7 p. m.
Weekly Prayer-meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m.
Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.

St. Zophar's Church.
Rev. J. S. Hays, D.D., Pastor.
Sunday-school 9:30 a. m.
Bible-reading 10:15 a. m.
Prayer-meeting Friday at 7 p. m.
Weekly Prayer-meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m.
Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.

St. Abimelech's Church.
Rev. J. S. Hays, D.D., Pastor.
Sunday-school 9:30 a. m.
Bible-reading 10:15 a. m.
Prayer-meeting Friday at 7 p. m.
Weekly Prayer-meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m.
Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.

St. Phileas' Church.
Rev. J. S. Hays, D.D., Pastor.
Sunday-school 9:30 a. m.
Bible-reading 10:15 a. m.
Prayer-meeting Friday at 7 p. m.
Weekly Prayer-meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m.
Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.

St. Habel's Church.
Rev. J. S. Hays, D.D., Pastor.
Sunday-school 9:30 a. m.
Bible-reading 10:15 a. m.
Prayer-meeting Friday at 7 p. m.
Weekly Prayer-meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m.
Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.

St. Guthrie's Church.
Rev. J. S. Hays, D.D., Pastor.
Sunday-school 9:30 a. m.
Bible-reading 10:15 a. m.
Prayer-meeting Friday at 7 p. m.
Weekly Prayer-meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m.
Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.

St. Casper's Church.
Rev. J. S. Hays, D.D., Pastor.
Sunday-school 9:30 a. m.
Bible-reading 10:15 a. m.
Prayer-meeting Friday at 7 p. m.
Weekly Prayer-meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m.
Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.

St. Llewellyn's Church.
Rev. J. S. Hays, D.D., Pastor.
Sunday-school 9:30 a. m.
Bible-reading 10:15 a. m.
Prayer-meeting Friday at 7 p. m.
Weekly Prayer-meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m.
Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.

St. Eborac's Church.
Rev. J. S. Hays, D.D., Pastor.
Sunday-school 9:30 a. m.
Bible-reading 10:15 a. m.
Prayer-meeting Friday at 7 p. m.
Weekly Prayer-meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m.
Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.

St. Wigorn's Church.
Rev. J. S. Hays, D.D., Pastor.
Sunday-school 9:30 a. m.
Bible-reading 10:15 a. m.
Prayer-meeting Friday at 7 p. m.
Weekly Prayer-meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m.
Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.

St. Marston's Church.
Rev. J. S. Hays, D.D., Pastor.
Sunday-school 9:30 a. m.
Bible-reading 10:15 a. m.
Prayer-meeting Friday at 7 p. m.
Weekly Prayer-meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m.
Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.

St. Denys' Church.
Rev. J. S. Hays, D.D., Pastor.
Sunday-school 9:30 a. m.
Bible-reading 10:15 a. m.
Prayer-meeting Friday at 7 p. m.
Weekly Prayer-meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m.
Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.

St. Swithun's Church.
Rev. J. S. Hays, D.D., Pastor.
Sunday-school 9:30 a. m.
Bible-reading 10:15 a. m.
Prayer-meeting Friday at 7 p. m.
Weekly Prayer-meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m.
Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.

St. Edmund's Church.
Rev. J. S. Hays, D.D., Pastor.
Sunday-school 9:30 a. m.
Bible-reading 10:15 a. m.
Prayer-meeting Friday at 7 p. m.
Weekly Prayer-meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m.
Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.

St. Eadmund's Church.
Rev. J. S. Hays, D.D., Pastor.
Sunday-school 9:30 a. m.
Bible-reading 10:15 a. m.
Prayer-meeting Friday at 7 p. m.
Weekly Prayer-meeting Thursday at 7:30 p. m.
Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.

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Sunday-school 9:30 a. m.
Bible-reading 10:15 a. m.
Prayer-meeting Friday at 7 p. m.
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Prayer-meeting Friday at 7 p. m.
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Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.

Holiday Merchandise Holds Sway at Ballenger's!

Diamonds, in all mountings;
Clocks, in every variety;
Dishes and Plates, singly and in sets;
Solid Silverware, in newest designs;
Cut Glass, in exquisite patterns;
Watches and Jewelry, without end.
Prices, the very lowest.

BALLENGER, Jeweler

OUR WASHINGTON MAN.

THE LEDGER'S SPECIAL LETTER FROM THE CAPITAL.

Special Correspondence Public Ledger.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12th, 1897.

The counting of the electoral vote in the hall of the House of Representatives on Wednesday was not disturbed by open and oral charges of fraud in the Southern states as was expected. Representative Murray of South Carolina, who intended challenging the vote of that state upon the ground that a large proportion of its Republican voters were disfranchised at the late election, finally determined that it was not judicious to disturb the progress of the electoral count by an action which could not have any effect other than the mere calling attention to a disgraceful state of facts which are already known to exist.

That the Republican vote of the South has been systematically suppressed by various methods since the war is well known, but the act of doing this scientifically and under the sanction of the state laws has been only recently learned. Those who are determined to prevent the Republicans from casting the votes to which they are entitled in the South have discovered that by an educational colored voters a large proportion of the colored voters can be kept away from the polls, and their object thus attained under the guise of the very highest and noblest intentions. By placing in the constitutions or upon the statute books of their various states requirements which only permit those who can read the constitution or the printed ballots to cast their votes, they have succeeded in disfranchising a very large share of the colored voters of that section.

That the colored voters of the South have been, and are, systematically and successfully kept from the polls is proven absolutely by a study of the official figures of the census and the National elections. In the seven extreme Southern states, Mississippi, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, South Carolina, Louisiana, and Arkansas, are grouped more than one half of the entire colored population of the United States. These states in 1876 cast 990,114 votes. They have gained over 3 millions in population since that time, and yet, in 1896, they cast but 791,011 votes, an actual loss of 199,103 votes. The gain in population in the 20 years in question was 66 per cent., while the loss in votes was 20 per cent. These figures of themselves show that the voters of the South are not exercising the elective privilege which the Constitution of the United States grants to them. A gain of 66 per cent. in voting strength and a loss of 20 per cent. in votes actually cast is of itself sufficient proof to satisfy the most obtuse mind that there is something wrong with the manner in which the elections of the South are conducted.

Congressman Murray insists that the vote of South Carolina does not represent the voters of the state; that probably half of the voters of that state are not permitted to exercise their elective franchise. That he is undoubtedly right in this assertion is shown by the fact that the vote of 1896 was only about one-third of the vote of 1876, although the population of the state had enormously increased in the meantime. In South Carolina the population in 1870 was 705,605, and in 1890 1,151,149, a gain of about 400,000. Yet the vote fell from 127,786 in 1876, to 68,898 in 1896, a decrease

of nearly two thirds. The same facts apply in the other extreme Southern states. In Georgia the population increased nearly 700,000 from 1870 to 1890, yet the vote of 1896 was nearly 30,000 less than in 1876; the figures are: population in 1870, 1,154,109; population in 1890, 1,837,531; vote in 1876, 180,534; vote in 1896, 162,741. In Florida the population has more than doubled since 1870, while the vote of 1896 was actually less than that of 1876. The population of Alabama increased 60 per cent. from 1870 to 1890, while the vote increased but about 12 per cent. In Mississippi the population increased from 1870 to 1890, 50 per cent., while the vote fell from 164,778 in 1876, to 68,318 in 1896.

In Louisiana the population increased 53 per cent., and the vote actually fell 31 per cent. In Arkansas the population increased 133 per cent. and the vote only 54 per cent.

Representative Murray did a service by calling attention to these facts, though he did not make an official record of them by making an objection to the count of the vote of his state as he originally intended. These are facts which every citizen of the United States ought to recognize; that in one section of this country, practically one-half of the votes, and those belonging to one party almost exclusively, are systematically suppressed.

Mr. T. B. Harrison, Jr., of Vanceburg has gone to Paducah where he will study law.

Mr. William Myers, brother of Mr. H. C. Myers of Concord, died last week at his home at Mahomet, Ill.

The Pope has granted a special dispensation in order that the German Ambassador to Mexico may wed

